DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TASK FORCE ON THE CARE, MANAGEMENT AND TRANSITION OF RECOVERING WOUNDED, ILL AND INJURED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES

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Lieutenant General (Lt Gen) Charles B. Green, M.D. is the Surgeon General of the Air Force. Lt Gen Green serves as functional manager of the U.S. Air Force Medical Service. In this capacity, he advises the Secretary of the Air Force and Air Force Chief of Staff, as well as the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs on matters pertaining to the medical aspects of the air expeditionary force and the health of Air Force members.

Lt Gen Green has authority to commit resources worldwide for the Air Force Medical Service, to make decisions affecting the delivery of medical services, and to develop plans, programs and procedures to support worldwide medical service missions. He exercises direction, guidance and technical management of more than 42,800 people assigned to 75 medical facilities worldwide. Lt Gen Green was commissioned through the Health Professions Scholarship Program and entered active duty in 1978 after completing his doctorate of medicine at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee. He completed residency training in family practice at Eglin Regional Hospital, Eglin AFB, FL, in 1981, in aerospace medicine at Brooks AFB, TX, in 1989, and is board certified in aerospace medicine.

An expert in disaster relief operations, Lt Gen Green planned and led humanitarian relief efforts in the Philippines after the Baguio earthquake in 1990, and in support of Operation Fiery Vigil following the 1991 eruption of Mount Pinatubo. Lt Gen Green has served as commander of three hospitals and Wilford Hall Medical Center. As command surgeon for three major commands, he planned joint medical response for operations Desert Thunder and Desert Fox, and oversaw aeromedical evacuation for operations Enduring and Iraqi Freedom. He has served as Assistant Surgeon General for Health Care Operations and, prior to his current assignment, Deputy Surgeon General. Lt Gen Green is the recipient of numerous military awards.